

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-01870-EGS**

DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION v. UNITED  
STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR et al  
Assigned to: Judge Emmet G. Sullivan  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 08/09/2018  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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| 08/09/2018 | <u>1</u> | COMPLAINT against BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5629964) filed by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B, # <u>3</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>4</u> Summons DOI, # <u>5</u> Summons BLM, # <u>6</u> Summons U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia, # <u>7</u> Summons U.S. Attorney General)(Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 08/09/2018) |

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| 08/09/2018 | <u>2</u>  | LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION (Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 08/09/2018)  |
| 08/09/2018 |           | Case Assigned to Judge Emmet G. Sullivan. (zsb) (Entered: 08/09/2018)  |
| 08/10/2018 | <u>3</u>  | STANDING ORDER: The parties are directed to read the attached Standing Order Governing Civil Cases Before Judge Emmet G. Sullivan in its entirety upon receipt. The parties are hereby ORDERED to comply with the directives in the attached Standing Order. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 08/10/18. (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1) (mac) (Entered: 08/10/2018)   |
| 08/10/2018 | <u>4</u>  | SUMMONS (4) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zsb) (Entered: 08/10/2018)  |
| 08/21/2018 | <u>5</u>  | RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 8/20/2018. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 9/19/2018.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 8/20/18., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT served on 8/20/2018; UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR served on 8/20/2018 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration)(Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 08/21/2018)  |
| 08/30/2018 | <u>6</u>  | MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice :Attorney Name– Travis Annatoyn, :Firm– Democracy Forward Foundation, :Address– P.O. Box 34553, Washington, D.C. 20043. Phone No. – 202–448–9090. Fee Status: No Fee Paid. by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration, # <u>2</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 08/30/2018)  |
| 09/04/2018 |           | MINUTE ORDER granting <u>6</u> motion for leave to appear pro hac vice. Attorney Travis Annatoyn is hereby admitted pro hac vice in this matter. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 9/4/2018. (lcegs3) (Entered: 09/04/2018)   |
| 09/19/2018 | <u>7</u>  | ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.(Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 09/19/2018)   |
| 10/17/2018 | <u>8</u>  | MOTION to Order Status Report by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Annatoyn, Travis) (Entered: 10/17/2018)   |
| 10/17/2018 | <u>9</u>  | RESPONSE re <u>8</u> MOTION to Order Status Report filed by UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR. (Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 10/17/2018)   |
| 10/17/2018 |           | MINUTE ORDER granting in part <u>8</u> motion to order status report. Plaintiff brings this action pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552. The parties are directed to meet and confer and propose a joint scheduling order for further proceedings in this case by no later than November 19, 2018. The parties' joint proposed scheduling order shall address the following: (1) The status of plaintiff's FOIA request; (2) The anticipated number of documents responsive to plaintiff's FOIA request; (3) The anticipated date(s) for release of documents responsive to plaintiff's FOIA request; (4) Whether a motion for an Open America stay is likely in this case; (5) Whether a Vaughn index will be required in this case; (6) Whether this case would benefit from referral to a magistrate judge or the District Court Mediation Program for purposes of settlement; and (7) A proposed briefing schedule for dispositive motions, if applicable. If the parties are unable to agree on a joint recommendation, the joint proposed scheduling order shall include each party's individual recommendations. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 10/17/2018. (lcegs3) (Entered: 10/17/2018) |
| 10/18/2018 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Scheduling Order due by 11/19/2018. (mac) (Entered: 10/18/2018)   |
| 11/19/2018 | <u>10</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  |

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|            |           | (Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 11/19/2018)   |
| 11/21/2018 |           | MINUTE ORDER in view of <u>10</u> joint status report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report by no later than January 4, 2019 to advise the Court of the status of plaintiff's FOIA requests. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 11/21/2018. (lcegs3) (Entered: 11/21/2018)  |
| 11/21/2018 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 1/4/2019 (mac) (Entered: 11/21/2018)  |
| 01/04/2019 | <u>11</u> | STATUS REPORT by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. (Annatoyn, Travis) (Entered: 01/04/2019)   |
| 01/30/2019 |           | MINUTE ORDER. In view of <u>11</u> plaintiff's status report, the parties are directed to submit a joint status report by no later than February 15, 2019 to advise the Court of the status of plaintiff's FOIA requests. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 1/30/2019. (lcegs3) (Entered: 01/30/2019)  |
| 01/31/2019 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 2/15/2019. (mac) (Entered: 01/31/2019)  |
| 02/15/2019 | <u>12</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR. (Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 02/15/2019)   |
| 02/19/2019 |           | MINUTE ORDER. In view of the <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file a joint status report updating the Court on the status of Defendants' production efforts by no later than March 22, 2019. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 2/19/2019. (lcegs3) (Entered: 02/19/2019)   |
| 02/19/2019 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 3/22/2019. (mac) (Entered: 02/19/2019)  |
| 03/21/2019 | <u>13</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR. (Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 03/21/2019)   |
| 03/22/2019 |           | MINUTE ORDER. In view of <u>13</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file a joint status report informing the Court of the status of Plaintiff's FOIA request to Defendant U.S. Department of the Interior's Bureau of Land Management by no later than April 22, 2019. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 3/22/2019. (lcegs3) (Entered: 03/22/2019) |
| 03/25/2019 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 4/22/2019. (mac) (Entered: 03/25/2019)  |
| 04/22/2019 | <u>14</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR. (Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 04/22/2019)   |
| 04/24/2019 |           | MINUTE ORDER. In view of <u>14</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report with a recommendation for further proceedings by no later than May 22, 2019. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 4/24/2019. (lcegs3) (Entered: 04/24/2019)  |
| 04/24/2019 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 5/22/2019. (mac) (Entered: 04/24/2019)  |